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Dear Mr. Powdrell:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Commission Regulations define the term "purpose" to mean a brief statement or description of why a disbursement was made. Examples are "dinner expense", "media", "salary", "polling", "travel", "party fees", "phone banks", "travel expenses", "travel expense reimbursement" and "catering costs". Unacceptable descriptions include, but are not limited to "advance", "consulting", "contract labor", "election day expense", "expenses", "other expenses", "expense reimbursement", "miscellaneous", "outside services", "get-out-the-vote" and "voter registration". (11 CFR §104.3(b)(4)) Please amend Schedule B of your report to correct the descriptions which do not meet the requirements of the Regulations.

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portion attached) discloses a contribution(s) which appears to exceed the limit set forth in the Act. No political committee other than a qualified multicandidate committee may make contributions to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$1,000 per election. The Building America's Conscience and Kids PAC did not meet the requirements for qualified multicandidate status as of the date the contribution(s) was made to your committee. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loan, advance or deposit of money and